SENATE BILL 3595

By Henry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 6, relative to lobbying.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-307, is amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, if a person receives as compensation for lobbying only reimbursement for actual out-of-pocket personal expenses, and if the person receives reimbursement for more than ten (10) days per year, then the person shall register as a lobbyist and shall comply with all lobbyist requirements imposed pursuant to this chapter; provided, however, that the commission shall waive such person's registration fee and such person shall be exempt from payment of the occupational privilege tax on lobbyists imposed by § 67-4-1702(a)(1).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply from the 2009 registration year forward.